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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.56, Applicants wish to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the International Search Report and the references cited therein were supplied when this application entered the U.S. national phase.

The International Search Report indicates that U.S. Patents 4,786,721 and 6,063,137 are substantively cumulative English language counterparts of EP 0214093 and EP 1325945 respectively and U.S. Patent 5,779,740 is a substantially cumulative English language counterpart of EP 1247842 and EP 0775776.

Enclosed herewith are copies of EP 0070807 along with an English language abstract, JP 50157422 along with an English language abstract, JP 56118975 along with an English language abstract and JP 57042985 along with an English language abstract.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 forms.

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